

Summary of Pediatric Cancer in Zip Code 29842 (Beech Island, SC) and Aiken County, SC

Tables 1 and 2 show the number of pediatric leukemia cases and the total number of pediatric cancers (including leukemia cases) that were diagnosed in zip code 29842 and in Aiken County from 1996 through 1999. Also shown is the number of cases expected to occur by chance alone for this time period.

One case of pediatric cancer occurred in zip code 29842, which is what was expected. There were no cases of pediatric leukemia diagnosed during this time period. A total of 15 pediatric cancers occurred in Aiken County, while 26 cases were expected. Of these 15 cases, 5 were pediatric leukemia cases. Seven cases of pediatric leukemia were expected in Aiken County for this time period.

In summary, the number of pediatric cancer cases occurring in both zip code 29842 and in Aiken County is less than expected for years 1996-1999. The South Carolina Central Cancer Registry (SCCCR) has a case sharing agreement in place with Georgia so that SC residents who travel to Georgia for cancer care are captured by the central cancer registry here. That is a concern for border counties such as Aiken County where residents may be travelling to Augusta for cancer treatment.

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Table 1. Pediatric Cancer Incidence in Zip Code 29842 from 1996-1999

	Number of Cases Diagnosed	Number of Cases Expected
Leukemia	0	<1
All Cancers	1	1

Table 2. Pediatric Cancer Incidence in Aiken County from 1996-1999

	Number of Cases Diagnosed	Number of Cases Expected
Leukemia	5	7
All Cancers	15	26

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